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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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SUBJECT

: Recent Developments in the Use of Cambodian Territory by the VC/NVA

- 1. The attached is a report produced at the request of Mr. Thomas L. Hughes, Director of Intelligence and Research, Department of State. I believe that it will also be of interest to you.
- 2. The report concludes that in recent months the Communists have increased their use of Cambodian territory to support the insurgency in South Vietnam. This has coincided with an increasingly favorable attitude by the Cambodian government toward the insurgents, and with new road construction linking the Laotian infiltration routes with Cambodia. Supplies procured in Cambodia consist primarily of food and other commercial items available on the open market, although Cambodia is not a major source of food for the Communists. It is difficult to assess the extent to which Cambodia is used either as a transfer area or as a source of arms or ammunition, but such usage must be small.

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